

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A throttle control device for controlling a variable engine throttle valve of a hand held tool grasped and supported by an operator, the device comprising[[.]]; a forwardly extending wire (17) for transmitting a variable range of motion from a manually-actuated throttle control lever (12) turnably arranged about a first axis (14) to [[a]] the variable throttle valve, one, rearward end of the wire being secured to a wire arm (15) that is turnably arranged about a second axis (16) and that is provided with one or several teeth (20) cooperating with corresponding teeth (19) on the throttle control lever (12) characterized in that the second axis (16) is arranged behind the first axis (15) with respect to the forward direction of the extending wire (17) and the second axis (16) is further from the variable throttle valve than the first axis (15), wherein the wire is coaxially rotatable with the wire arm about the second axis.

Claim 2 (Previously presented): The throttle control device according to claim 1 characterized in that the wire arm (15) comprises a curved support surface for the wire as seen in the second axis (16) direction.

Claim 3 (Previously presented): The throttle control device according to claim 2 characterized in that the support surface extends at least around said second axis (16).

Claim 4 (Previously presented): The throttle control device according to claim 2 characterized in that the support surface at least partly is circular.

Claim 5 (Cancelled)

Claim 6 (Previously presented): The throttle control device according to claim 1 characterized in that the wire (17) is a part of a Bowden cable (18).

Claim 7 (Previously presented): The throttle control device according to claim 1 characterized in that the throttle control lever (12) cooperates with a safety lever (13) that prevents the throttle control lever from moving if the safety lever is not activated.

Claim 8 (Currently amended): The throttle control device according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 7 characterized in that the throttle control lever (12) is ~~(12)~~ under the influence of a first return spring (24).

Claim 9 (Currently amended): The throttle control device according to claim ~~[[7]]~~ 8 characterized in that the safety lever (13) is under the influence of a second return spring (25).

Claim 10 (Currently amended): The throttle control device according to claim 8 or 9 characterized in that the first return spring (24) and second return spring (25) are parts of a one-piece formed spring.

Claim 11 (Previously presented): The throttle control device according to claim 1, wherein the hand held tool comprises a chain saw.

Claim 12 (Previously presented): The throttle control device according to claim 9 characterized in that the second return spring is one-piece formed.